

## RICHMOND DEMOCRAT.

Thursday Evening, June 5, '79.

### DEATH OF GENERAL SHEILDS.

On Sunday night last the veteran soldier and statesman General James Shields died at Ottumwa, Iowa, at which place he delivered a lecture and was visiting relatives. A dispatch from that point says he was apparently in his usual health up to within 30 minutes of his death. He ate a hearty supper at 6 o'clock p.m. and afterwards wrote several letters. About the time to retire for the night he complained of a severe pain in the chest, and told his niece that he was dying. He remained sitting in his chair until death released him of his suffering, which occurred at 10:30 p.m. of June 1st 1879.

General Shields was born in Ireland in the year 1810 and was consequently 69 years old. He came to this country at the age of 18, and by his energy and ability worked himself up to many positions of honor and trust. He did what no other man has ever done. He represented three different States on the floor of the United States Senate, which shows something of the hold he had upon the hearts of the people. As a soldier he had few superiors, and the record he made in Mexico, and during our late civil war will stand in history as long as time shall last, as a monument to his skill and ability as a commander. His remains were brought to Carrollton for interment.

COL. JOHN F. PHELPS, of Sedalia, will deliver a fourth of July oration in Carrollton this year.

ASiATIC cholera is reported to be in British India, to an alarming extent.

The Nationals of Ohio, yesterday, nominated Geo. A. Banks, for Governor, and Hugo Pryor, for Lieutenant-Governor.

TO-MORROW, Friday, Glasgow will have a big celebration in honor of the completion of the bridge of the C. & A. railroad.

THE KILLING of Martin Feltzer by Dr. Davenport, at Brunswick, was mentioned in this paper last week. The grand-jury, then in session at Keytesville, took up the case and indicted him for murder in the first degree. Being so handy with his little pistol may cause him to hang at the end of a rope.

The Democratic State Convention of Ohio, assembled at Columbus yesterday, and after organizing, nominated the following State ticket: For Governor, Thomas Ewing; for Lieutenant-Governor, A. V. Rice; for Treasurer, Anthony Howell; for Auditor, Charles Reeseling; for Judge of Supreme Court, W. J. Gilmore; for Attorney General, Isaac Pillars; for member Board of Public Works, Patrick O'Meara. The platform is a sound Democratic document fully meeting the issues of the day. We will publish it in full next week.

The last Legislature passed a very stringent fish law, and put an emergency clause to it which makes it now in force. The law prohibits the use of seines, nets, set-nets, bag weirs or bush-drags in any waters of the state. Any person found guilty of such an offense will be fined in a sum of not less than \$20 or more than \$100 for each offense, and for a failure to pay such fine is to be put in jail at a dollar a day until the fine is paid. It also provides that a person shall not enter upon the premises of another and take fish without incurring liability of a fine of \$20 or more. The law is very strict in every particular, and if rigidly carried out will get a good many men into trouble.

A SPECIAL dispatch from Washington to the St. Louis *Advertiser* on Saturday last says the Democrats in Congress have agreed upon a plan of action for the future. It is to pass the army and the legislative appropriation bills, but with restrictive clauses for the first named bill that none of the money shall be used for keeping troops at the polls, and for the latter that none of it shall be used to pay deputy marshals at elections. A separate bill repealing the test oath and providing for the manner of drawing juries in the United States courts is also to be passed. The two appropriation bills, it is now expected, will be vetoed by the president, who holds that such restrictions would at least be a repeal of the laws for one year. The separate bill on the test oath question he will no doubt sign. In the meeting to-day there was a minority who favored the policy of refusing any appropriation for the army, on the ground that it entails a needless expenditure and that constitutionally Congress can disband the army by refusing appropriations. This proposal was, however, voted down.

The president has vetoed the legislative and judicial appropriation bill sent to him last week. He objected because it contained a clause repealing the law giving the president the right to appoint United States Marshals to supervise our elections. We know but little of the law sought to be repealed, in this section, from the fact that it was not intended for the country, but was intended to be used in large cities to intimidate voters and to elect the Republican ticket. In short, it is simply a piece of machinery invented by the Republicans to manipulate the ballot box in large cities in the interest of their party. On the most frivolous pretext, citizens of New York and Philadelphia have been arrested on their way to the polls and locked up in prison all night and set at liberty in the morning without the mockery of a trial, or having a charge preferred against them. In the City of New York some 600 foreigners were arrested two years ago on charge of having fraudulent naturalization papers, yet not a single one of these men has been convicted of what they were charged with. It is plain from this that Mr. Hayes is using his veto power solely in the interest of his party and not from any conscientious belief that he is right in putting out these vetoos. We have long since concluded that there is very little honesty in parties now-a-days, for men who should be honest, and are honest in their everyday dealings with their fellow men, apply their president by a fraudulent President.

LAST week we reported the shooting of a man named Greenstreet in Carroll county by James Wade, because the former insulted the latter's wife. The Carrollton papers report Greenstreet worse, with a poor prospect to get well. Let this be a warning to men who would insult defenseless women.

GOLD has been discovered near Hot Springs in Arkansas. It is a fine thing that something of value can be found in that section as there are so many rocks and so much sand that even weeds won't grow there.

THE RESIGNATION of Judge Dilion, of Iowa, as U. S. District Judge has been accepted and Hon. G. W. McCreary, one of Hayes' Cabinet, has been appointed in his stead.

Patrick Collins, who was in the employ of the railroad running out of Sedalia for 16 years was run over and killed at that place last week. His head was entirely severed from the body, it being about six feet distant. It was a horrible death.

RELIEF MEETING.

At a meeting of the citizens of the Richmond, held Tuesday June 2nd, 1879, for the purpose of raising funds for the relief of sufferers from the recent cyclone in Kansas and Missouri. On motion of J. L. Farris, Judge G. W. Dunn was called to the Chair, and J. W. Spurlock chosen Secretary.

Speeches were made by C. J. Hughes, Sr., G. W. Trigg, C. T. Garner and others.

ON MOTION of C. J. Hughes, the Mayor and City Council of Richmond, and the following ladies were appointed a committee to solicit and receive subscriptions and donations: Mrs. C. J. Hughes Sr., Mrs. J. D. Taylor, Mrs. C. T. Garner, Sr., and Mrs. G. W. Trigg.

On motion of C. T. Garner meeting adjourned until Thursday, 4th, at 5 p.m., at which time the ladies of the town, with the citizens generally, are invited to attend and hear the report of the committee.

J. W. SPURLOCK, Secretary.

CIRCUIT COURT.

In case of suit to sue of Lafayette county, against Jas. O'Gorman, and others, tried before the Judge and verdict given for plaintiff. The defendants file a writ for appeal.

In case of damage suit of Mary Robinson, against Solomon Maser, bond for appeal filed and approved.

H. C. Garner, assignee of A. H. Ringo, files report of sale of real estate to Mrs. Bettie Stockton, which is approved.

In case of Thomas Hamilton by Geo. N. McGee, assignee, against the St. L. K. C. & N. Railway, tried by jury and verdict rendered for defendant. This was a suit brought for delay in transportation of some stock over a year ago on account of wash outs on the Railroad.

Case of Benj F. Groome, against Alice Groome, widow to set aside former decree overruled, and ordered that John C. Brown, former sheriff, pay \$45 to Smith and Allison the computational value of widows, dower, and further ordered that said Brown pay to administrator of J. W. Groome the balance, as heir to said estate, after paying debts.

This McGee appears and acknowledges one deed to Bay county.

On Tuesday the Judge ordered a special Grand Jury to inquire into the case of the State against Charles Cowgill charged with burglary and larceny.

The following are the names of the special grand jury: V. P. Bernard, Foreman, W. S. Boone, W. B. Armstrong, John Warranstaff, W. A. Crane, J. T. Banister, Richard Billig, Alfred Nodding, G. W. Stinnett, A. M. Fowler, Samuel Simons, J. S. DeMeters.

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